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SUBJECT: UNICEF EXECUTIVE BOARD: COMMITTEE ON
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1. UNICEF COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE, COMPRISING 18 MEMBERS OF THE 30 MEMBER BOARD, MET MAY 19 AND 20 TO REVIEW BUDGETARY PERFORMANCE AND APPROVE BUDGETS FOR UNICEF AND IYC FOR 1979. TWO ISSUES AROSE: ONE WAS SWEDISH PROPOSAL THAT ACABQ REVIEW UNICEF BUDGET; OTHER WAS OBJECTION BY SOME MEMBERS TO INCLUSION OF REVENUE TARGETS EQUIVALENT TO 20 PERCENT INCREASES FOR 1980 AND 1981 IN FINANCIAL PLAN FOR 1978-81. FIRST ISSUE RESOLVED FOR THIS YEAR BY PROPOSAL THAT BOARD INVITE JIU TO TAKE A LOOK AT BUDGETS; SECOND RESOLVED BY DROPPING COLUMN FOR 1981 AND ADDING QUALIFYING LANGUAGE WHICH ASSOCIATED 20 PERCENT TARGET IN 1980 TO EFFECT OF INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF CHILD (IYC) ON FUND-RAISING.

2. COMMITTEE UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF PIETER VAN BUUREN (NETHERLANDS) MET ALL DAY FRIDAY AND FOR HALF-DAY SATURDAY AND EXPEDITIOUSLY REVIEWED PAST AND FUTURE UNICEF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, PROGRAM SUPPORT, AND GREETING CARD OPERATION BUDGETS AS WELL AS IYC BUDGET.
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COMMITTEE ALSO APPROVED FINANCIAL PLAN FOR 1978-80.
UN DOCUMENTS COVERED WERE E/ICEF/AB/L.181-192.

3. MEETINGS FOR MOST PART UNEXCEPTIONAL AND INCLUDED INFORMATIVE INTERCHANGES BETWEEN BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICIALS OF UNICEF SECRETARIAT.

4. SOME CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED BY MEMBERS AT THE 25 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE SIZE OF THE IYC SECRETARIAT BUDGET FOR THE TOTAL PERIOD 1977-1980. SECRETARIAT ATTRIBUTED INCREASE TO INFLATION AND EXPERIENCE WITH ACTUAL CONDITIONS. ORIGINAL BUDGET HAD TO BE DRAWN UP WITHOUT EXPERIENCE. BUDGET WAS EVENTUALLY APPROVED.

5. IN DISCUSSION ON FINANCIAL PLAN FOR UNICEF 1978-1981, U.S. (WING) CALLED ATTENTION TO EXCESS LIQUIDITY OF UNICEF AND APPLAUDED SECRETARIAT EFFORTS TO PUT SOME \$40 MILLION FROM RESERVES TO WORK FOR CHILDREN DURING THE PERIOD. SWEDEN AND GERMANY SUPPORTED U.S. POSITION AS DID NORWAY AND FRANCE. GERMANY (COUNT YORK) RAISED MAJOR ISSUE WITH CONCERN OVER REVENUE TARGET FIGURES OF \$240 MILLION FOR 1980 AND \$288 MILLION FOR 1981 WHICH, HE FELT, MEANT ACCEPTING BY IMPLICATION A 20 PERCENT TARGET FOR REVENUE INCREASES.

6. IN ENSUING DISCUSSION EXDIR LABOUISSSE AGREED TO DELETE 1981 COLUMN, BUT CANADA AND SWEDEN STILL HAD PROBLEMS. RESOLUTION PUT OFF UNTIL MAY 20 WHEN AFTER CONSULTATION, PROTAGONISTS AGREED TO RESOLUTION DROPPING 1981 COLUMN ENTIRELY AND LINKING 1980 TARGET TO ANTICIPATED REVENUES EXPECTED AS RESULT IYC. ALL MEMBERS AGREED 20 PERCENT TARGET IN NO WAY REPRESENTED COMMITMENT, APPLIED GLOBALLY AND NOT TO INDIVIDUAL

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DONOR COUNTRIES. IT WAS HOPED COUNTRIES WHICH HAD NOT GIVEN PREVIOUSLY IN MEASURE WITH THEIR RESOURCES (SUCH AS OPEC) WOULD INCREASE THEIR GIVING. SUBJECT WILL ARISE AGAIN IN PLENARY AT END OF WEEK WHEN RECOMMENDATION ON MEDIUM-TERM WORK PLAN COMES UP FOR APPROVAL.

7. SWEDEN SUGGESTED UNDER AGENDA ITEM 5 (B) THAT ACABQ OR OTHER INDEPENDENT BODY REVIEW UNICEF BUDGETS ANNUALLY. PROPOSAL DREW MIXED REACTION. GERMANY, JAPAN, UK AND US EXPRESSED FEELING THIS REPRESENTED ABDICATION OF COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITY, THAT ACABQ ALREADY OVERBURDENED AND IN ANY CASE LACKED PROGRAM EXPERTISE. GERMANY AND UNICEF SECRETARIAT SUGGESTED JIU. US PROPOSED USE OF BUDGET EXPERTS ON UNICEF DELEGATIONS. COMMITTEE EVENTUALLY SETTLED COMPROMISE WITH RECOMMENDATION BOARD REQUEST JIU TO HAVE BERTRAND EXAMINE NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND REPORT AT 1979 WITH HIS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. SO ISSUE IS POSTPONED UNTIL 1979 MEETING.

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